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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXTRACTING AND EVALUATING MUTUALLY SIMILAR PORTIONS IN ONE-DIMENSIONAL SEQUENCES IN MOLECULES AND/OR THREE-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE OF MOLECULES

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for an extension of time into the 4 month after the response due date, i.e., until February 19, 2002 (February 16, 2002 being a Saturday and February 18, 2002 being a holiday), for responding to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed August 16, 2002.

A check for the appropriate fee set by 37 CFR §1.17 of \$1,440.00 is attached hereto for this Petition.

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